

CLAIMS

What is Claimed is:

- 5           1. A method for performing a context-dependent service comprising:  
           executing a composite service;  
           accessing context information; and  
           automatically incorporating said context information with said  
 composite service.
- 10           2. The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein said composite service  
           comprises:  
           a node definitions repository;  
           process definitions repository; and  
 15           process execution data.
3. The method as recited in Claim 2, wherein said composite service  
           is an electronically available e-service.
- 20           4. The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein said context  
           information is related to a user.
5. The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein said context  
           information is maintained in a context repository.
- 25           6. The method as recited in Claim 5, wherein said context repository  
           is maintained and updated by:  
           a semantic context broker;  
           an application monitor;  
 30           a device monitor; and  
           an environment monitor.
7. The method as recited in Claim 5, wherein said context  
           information is automatically incorporated with said composite service  
 35           without requiring action by said user.
8. The method as recited in Claim 1, wherein said context dependent  
           service includes a c-node.

9. The method as recited in Claim 8, wherein said c-node is executed by selecting a process execution time node to be invoked, based on context information.

5           10. A computer system comprising:  
           a bus;  
           a memory unit coupled to said bus; and  
           a processor coupled to said bus, said processor for executing a method  
 for performing a context-dependent service comprising:  
 10           executing a composite service;  
           accessing context information; and  
           automatically incorporating said context information with said  
           composite service.

15           11. The computer system of Claim 10, wherein said composite service  
 comprises:  
           a node definitions repository;  
           process definitions repository; and  
 20           process execution data.

          12. The computer system of Claim 11, wherein said composite service  
 is an electronically available e-service.

25           13. The computer system of Claim 10, wherein said context  
 information is related to a user.

          14. The computer system of Claim 10, wherein said context  
 information is maintained in a context repository.

30           15. The computer system of Claim 14, wherein said context  
 repository is maintained and updated by:  
           a semantic context broker;  
           an application monitor;  
 35           a device monitor; and  
           an environment monitor.

16. The computer system of Claim 14, wherein said context information is automatically incorporated with said composite service without requiring action by said user.

5           17. A computer-usable medium having computer-readable program code embodied therein for causing a computer system to perform a method for performing a context-dependent service comprising:

                  executing a composite service;  
                  accessing context information; and  
10                automatically incorporating said context information with said composite service.

                  18. The computer-usable medium of Claim 17, wherein said composite service comprises:  
15                a node definitions repository;  
                  process definitions repository; and  
                  process execution data.

                  19. The computer-usable medium of Claim 18, wherein said  
20                composite service is an electronically available e-service.

                  20. The computer-usable medium of Claim 17, wherein said context information is related to a user.

25           21. The computer-usable medium of Claim 17, wherein said context information is maintained in a context repository.

                  22. The computer-usable medium of Claim 21, wherein said context repository maintained and updated by:

30                a semantic context broker;  
                  an application monitor;  
                  a device monitor; and  
                  an environment monitor.

35           23. The computer-usable medium of Claim 21, wherein said context information is automatically incorporated with said composite service without requiring action by said user.